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Wednesday 21st October 2020

Week 3 updates:

As restrictions ease and the weather improves, teachers continue to be creative with their use of learning spaces. Mr Tooley has maximised the time outside for PE lessons and the upstairs verandah has been in high demand during Investigation Time. It is lovely to see our entire playground in use again—especially the oval. *Please remember water sippers/ drink bottles are a necessary daily item.* Please take some time to admire our school gardens too— they are a credit to all our students and volunteers who help maintain them.

Fresh Food Friday:

This popular food distribution will operate again on Friday 30th October. Thanks to Sara Hill for organising more seedlings to send home, as well as the fresh broad beans from the school garden. Please BYO bag if you can.

Planning for 2021 classes:

Planning processes have commenced for 2021 for class structures and programmes. Please let us know if your child will not be returning in 2021 to assist this process. A note, phone call or email would be greatly appreciated.

Parent feedback—Parent Opinion survey:

This annual survey is designed to assist us in gaining an understanding of our parents' perceptions of our school's operations. It will be conducted from **Monday 12th October to Friday 13th November.** **We value your feedback—if you need the link emailed again—please let me know!**

Mango Fundraiser:

This is a great opportunity to purchase quality mangoes and assist our school fundraising. All completed order forms are due (to the school office) **by 2 pm on Thursday 22nd October please!**

World Teacher's Day—30th October:

In Victoria World Teachers' Day will be celebrated on 30 October 2020, offering an opportunity to celebrate and thank the hardworking and dedicated early childhood, primary, secondary, vocational and tertiary teachers across Victoria— **and especially at Bendigo Violet St PS!**

In 2020, World Teachers' Day will celebrate teachers with the theme 'Teachers: leading in crisis, reimagining the future'. This theme reflects the commitment teachers have made as leaders particularly teaching throughout the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, in a range of environments.

On behalf of all our school families—we say **THANK YOU!**



Mandy Costello Principal

Be Your Best!

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Calendar of Events

Regular Events

Camp Australia OSHC

Every day, Monday to Friday 3- 6pm

Library Club

Cancelled until further notice.

YOGA

Cancelled until further notice.

Brekky Club

Wednesdays

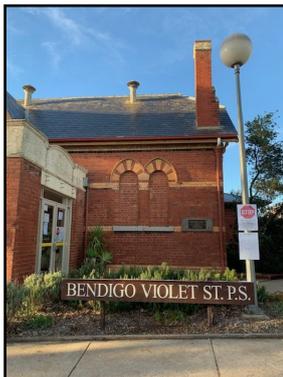
Toasties and milo before school.

FUN FIT FRIDAY

Cancelled until further notice.

ASSEMBLY

Online option being explored. Watch this space!



Special Events

Friday 23rd October

Thank You Public Holiday

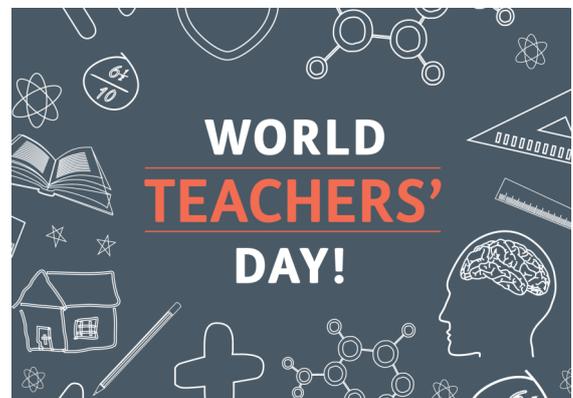


Wednesday 28th October

Bendigo Cup Public Holiday

Friday 30th October

World Teachers' Day



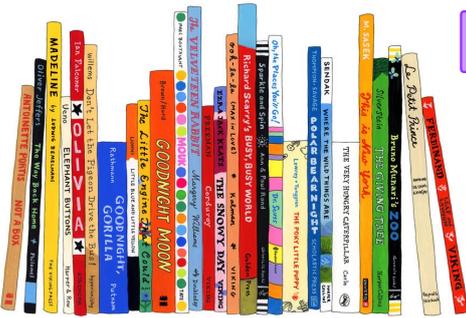
Pre-loved Uniforms!



Pre-loved uniforms are currently available by appointment only. **Please call the office to set up a time to come and view the items we have available.** If you have been having a clean out, we welcome any donations of pre-loved items. Please wash any items you have to donate and store in a plastic bag to drop off in the school foyer. Thank you!



Book Week Extravaganza!



Two Frida Kahlos.



The Goddess
of Fire



Waiting for the parade
to start...



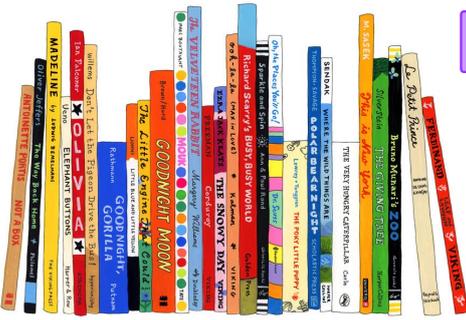
The Hogwarts Crew.



There were superheros galore!



Book Week Extravaganza!



Mike and Sully from Monsters Inc.



Who are the Green Sheep??

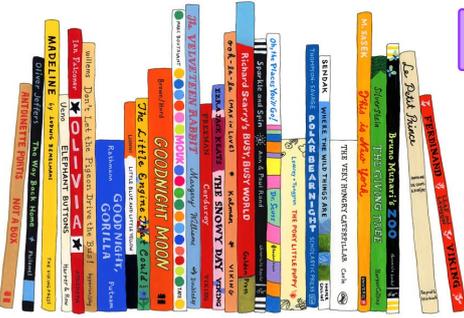


Mr M-B's leading his class on parade.

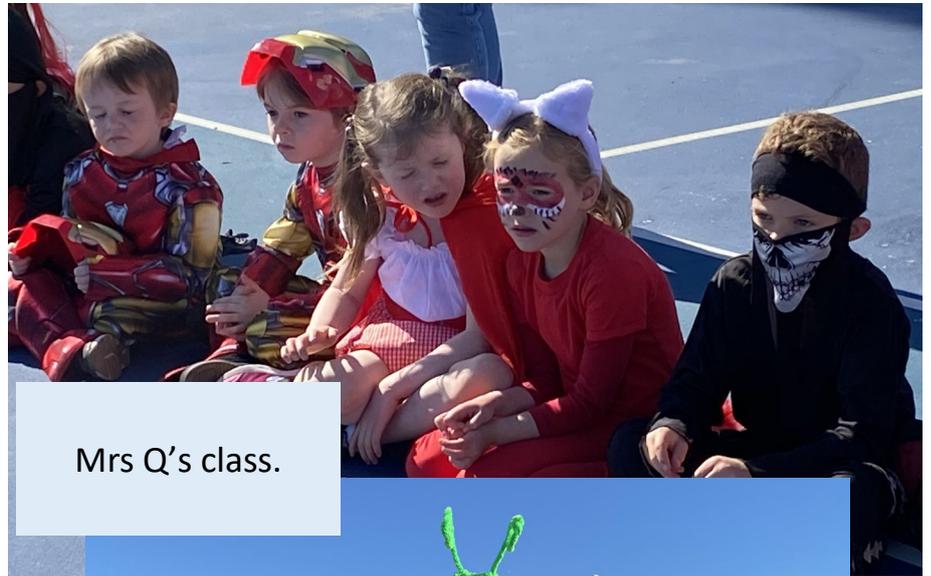


Chicken Divas!!!

Book Week Extravaganza!



Is there room on the broom
for this cat?



Mrs Q's class.



Jane, Sam and Charlie H.



Mr M-B's class.



Maths

Foundation Q Room 10



In maths we have been learning about subtraction. We made our very own subtraction stories about the 5 little ducks.



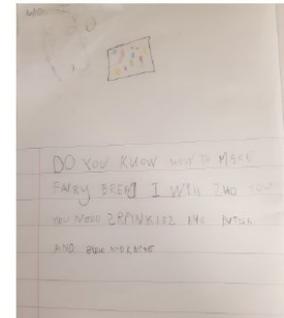
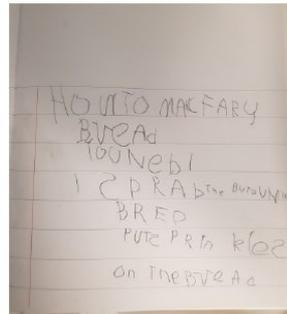
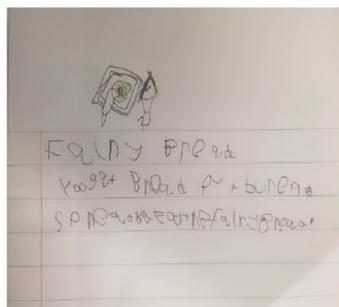
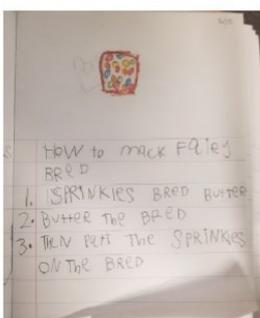
Remember you can access Mathletics at home at www.mathletics.com.au and Mathseeds at <https://mathseeds.com>

Literacy

Foundation Q Room 10



Our class has started learning all about procedural texts. We made fairy bread and then wrote some instructions for others to follow.



Remember you can access Reading Eggs at home at www.readingeggs.com



Specialist Corner

Music

SONGWRITING

Each class has begun writing their own **class song** in Music.

We've had some great ideas for songs, from stories about a girl that never takes her head out of a book, to songs about what students like and songs about what a different year 2020 has been. The songs will be completed towards the end of the term, and we're looking forward to sharing what we've created.

INSTRUMENTS

This term the Prep/1/2's are working on beat and rhythms by playing the djembes.

Djembes are traditional African drums, though ours actually come from Bali! So far we've learned to play bass and tone and are working on 'ta', 'rest' and 'ti-ti' rhythm patterns.

Grades 3/4 are learning to play the ukulele. The grade 4 students are very helpful mentoring the grade 3's and everyone has been working hard on practising three chords (Am, C & F) —which means we will be able to play lots of different songs together.

Grades 5/6 have chosen to work on playing guitar, ukulele or keyboard. They have also been learning three chords (G, Em & C) to play along with a range of songs.

*Here are some photos of 3/4 Kennedy showing the Wilson trait of
Be Brave, Participate to Progress:*



Wilson Corner

Timeball

Timeball requires effective communication, self-regulation, strategic and quick thinking, concentration and persistence.

In being simple to understand but difficult to achieve it can be quite demoralising. The class plays as one team and success is largely dependent upon everyone making decisions for the good of the whole class.

Students have to stand in an area, facing different directions with their feet together. They then have to throw the ball around the circle and sit down once they've successfully passed it to another student. If the ball hits the ground or a student moves their feet the game is over and you start again.

The aim is to move the ball around the group as quickly as possible. Once successful you can introduce a second ball which must follow a different path.



For more information, please visit: <https://playistheway.com.au/>

Our school values: Integrity, Respect, Honesty and Inclusion. *We are a Child Safe school.*

Gardening



It's beautiful weather for growing and Foundation were busy last week planting sunflowers. Grade 1/2s helped with our cycle of activities: composting, harvesting, weeding and planting.

We are still busily harvesting broad beans. If you have any good recipes involving broad beans, please share them with us by emailing them to Sara: Sara.Hill@education.vic.gov.au

Toby was busy weeding.



Turning and collecting compost.



We also took time to investigate the creepy crawlies that are emerging at this time of year.



Plant Squad from Mr M-B's class helped tidy up by collecting pine needles.



Koori News

Great news!

We have some very exciting news to tell you all. We have been accepted to the community grant from City of Greater Bendigo. We will be building and putting in a new indigenous path and totem pole. The totem pole will symbolise our pledge to care for a native animal and it's habitat that is unique to our area. Many unique native species are found in the Box–Ironbark forest environments that surround Bendigo. Many, like the platypus, regent honeyeater, swift parrot and the brush-tailed phascogale are rare and endangered.

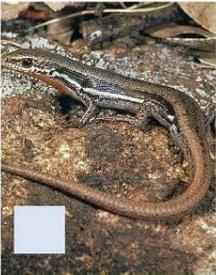
By Shakaya Rodovic.



More information to come soon!

Reptiles of Bendigo Creek *Look out for us in summer . . .*

Mammals of Bendigo Creek *Look out for us at dusk . . .*



Boulenger's Skink

I am one of the most common skinks in the box-ironbark country. I love areas with fallen branches and leaf litter where my colours help me hide. You'll see me sunbaking in warmer weather but I'll scuttle away quickly if scared.

Native Water Rat

I'm most active at sunset and in the night until dawn as I dive and hunt for bugs, yabbies, fish and frogs. Only the top of my head and back can be seen as I swim but my white tail tip might be easy to spot as I climb on land.



Common Long-necked Tortoise

I search in the creek for water creatures but you may see me sunning myself on a snag or rock. I roam overland after heavy rain but will pull my neck under my shell or spray you with smelly wee if you try to touch me.



Sugar Glider

I rely on hollows in old gum trees to survive but will use nest boxes if I have to. I sleep during the day and hunt up in the trees at night searching for beetles and moths under bark, sap on trunks and nectar and pollen from blossoms.



Stumpy-tailed Lizard

I am a slow-moving reptile you might see out in sunny areas. My camouflage colours and texture keep me safe, as does my tail, that looks very much like my head to trick my predators. If threatened, I inflate my body and hiss loudly.

Brush-tailed Possum

Take your torch out at night and you may see me. I could be up in the trees feeding on gum leaves or I might be on the ground eating grasses. I like to nibble on gum blossoms, large moths and bird eggs for a treat and live in hollows.



Lace Monitor

If you notice birds making a noisy fuss, look up . . . they could be trying to shoo me from my resting place on the trunk of a tree. I'm a prehistoric looking fellow and I like to eat other reptiles, baby birds, eggs and small mammals.



Eastern Grey Kangaroo

If you're nice and quiet you might see me in along some parts of the Bendigo Creek. I rest under the shade of bushes and trees during the day and come out to more open areas to graze on native grass and weeds in the late afternoon.

Here are just some of the many unique and special animals that are native to our local area:

To download the brochure of native animals and birds that you can find in Bendigo, [click on this link.](#)



Koori News

Baker Boy LIVE Online



The City of Greater Bendigo is developing a concert called *Dragon City Sounds* featuring well known Aboriginal hip-hop artists, Baker Boy and Dallas Woods and local group Aswang which will go live on the [Bendigo Venues & Events YouTube channel](https://bit.ly/34pdIUw) <https://bit.ly/34pdIUw> from 4pm Sunday October 25, 2020.

If you're interested click the link above. It will be on at 4pm Sunday- October 25, 2020.

By Mia Priest.

Here is the land,
Here is the sky.
Here are your friends and here are mine.
We stand together,
Hand in hand
To respect and honour the Dja Dja Wurrung:
Traditional owners of this land



Take back your Holidays!

**HOLIDAY
CLUB**



Summer Holiday Club bookings open on
Wednesday, 21st October 2020.

**Non-stop action.
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Extraordinary Summer
Holiday Programs.**



**Full day of
adventures
at HQ**

Get hands-on and creative with a day designed around the children's interests, a project-based workshop and more!

- Neon light creations
- Obstacle courses & water games
- Karaoke party
- Vision board mapping
- Hip Hop dance party
- Indian culture & cooking day
- Heaps more!



**Embark on
a journey**

Join us on an adventure to visit some new and exciting places. This Summer your children could go to:

- The movies
- Trampoline parks
- Indoor Rock Climbing
- Laser Tag
- Tenpin Bowling
- Karate lessons
- Indoor Playgrounds

Please note: we will be following all public health advice, including any necessary cancellations of excursions, etc. We have scheduled lots of fun off-site adventures, but will keep families notified of any changes via email and our website.



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Bookings now open

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**Government
subsidies
available for
eligible families**



**Fresh North Queensland Mangoes
Direct from the farm to you!**

Support Our Mango Fundraiser

If you *love mangoes*, here's your chance to indulge in fresh juicy Kensington Pride mangoes and support our fundraising drive.

We are selling trays of mangoes picked and packed during the premium harvest.

Cost per Tray is: \$25.00

Place your order by **2pm Thursday, October 22nd.**
delivery will be between 7-11 December

For Further information contact:

Delwyn 0400 870 100 or Bec 0409 380 604



CUSTOMER ORDER FORM

Return form to the Sharon in the BVPS office in hard copy or email.

Pay either by cash or EFT - if EFT is used label, clearly with MANGO followed by the name on the order form; cash to be returned with order form and sealed in an envelope.

Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone:

Coordinator/Office use

Coordinators Name	Price	Expected Delivery week beginning	Return form with payment by	
Delwyn Riordan	\$25	7th December	Friday 23rd October	
NAME		QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL
1.			\$	\$
2.			\$	\$
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14.			\$	\$
15.			\$	\$
			TOTAL	\$

*Please note that while every effort will be made to deliver your order to your School/Club/Organisation on the preferred delivery date, the occasional delivery may be delayed due to logistical difficulties beyond our control. Your coordinator will notify you of any changes. Thank you for your understanding.